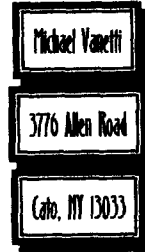


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NHTSA
Docket Management, Room PL-401
400 Seventh Street S.W.
Washington DC 20590

Dear Sir;

This letter is to voice my concern with Docket NHTSA 2001-8677, -539
Notice 2. This proposed rule will adversely affect many small business
owners and many vehicle owners and motorcycle riders. I do not believe that
NHTSA has authority to regulate clothing. I am asking you to extend the public
comment period and to strike any and all references to clothing. The proposed rule,
when the mention of clothing and other accessories and off-vehicle equipment
is stricken, will then more closely follow its supposed goal to make vehicles and
tires safer and that safety made more accountable.

Sincerely,


Michael R. Vanetti

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